Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended)   A method to electronically deliver a message from a sender to an intended recipient based on tracking movement of a mobile object, the method comprising acts of:

enabling both the sender using a first device and the intended recipient using a second device to send and receive an electronically deliverable message between the first and second devices;

obtaining a message provided by the sender;

obtaining a location designated by the sender for delivery of said message;

tracking a ~~specified mobile object~~third device having a position-determining device that determines its own current position, and which transmits its then current position at preset time intervals;

determining from the transmitted current position whether the ~~specified mobile object~~ third device has reached said designated location; and

initiating a procedure for automatic delivery of said message electronically to the second device of the intended recipient upon ~~said specified mobile object~~ the third device being determined to have reached said designated location, ~~wherein said designated~~

~~location is a different location from where the sender provided the message~~ with each of the first, second and third devices being different devices;

wherein ~~said specified mobile object~~ the third device is identified by the sender, ~~and has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of the intended recipient~~.

2-4. (Canceled)

5.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein the intended recipient is animate.

6. (Previously presented)   The method of claim 1, wherein the intended recipient is inanimate.

7-8. (Canceled)

9.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein said message is at least one of data, text, audio and video.

10.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein a mode in which said message is reproduced for the intended recipient is in accordance with a setting controlled by the intended recipient.

11. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein delivery of said message is controlled in accordance with a delivery rule provided by the sender.

12. (Currently amended)   The method of claim 11, wherein initiating said procedure for automatic delivery of said message upon detection of said ~~specified mobile object~~ third device reaching said designated location message comprises processing said delivery rule.

13. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein said obtaining of the message comprises receiving and storing a message based on input from the sender.

14. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein said obtaining of the message comprises retrieving a message from among a plurality of stored messages based on input from the sender.

15. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein said obtaining of the designated location comprises obtaining a location based on input from the sender.

16. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein said obtaining of the designated location comprises retrieving a location from among a plurality of stored locations based on input from the sender.

17.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, further comprising obtaining an identification of the intended recipient based on input from the sender.

18.   (Original)   The method of claim 11, wherein said rule includes instructions for repeating delivery of said message.

19.   (Original)   The method of claim 11, wherein said intended recipient includes a plurality of recipients identified by the sender.

20. (Currently amended)   A   method   for   delivering   a   message   with   an   electronic communication system servicing a plurality of clients in a client-server relationship, wherein the system includes a server, and wherein each of the clients includes a position-determining device, the method comprising acts of:

    providing each of the clients with a position-determining device that determines its own current position;

    obtaining, at the server, a message based on input from a first client;

    obtaining, at the server, a designated location based on input from said first client;

    obtaining, at the server, an identification of a second client as the intended recipient of said message, based on input from said first client;

    obtaining, at the server, identification of one of the clientsa third client which is to be tracked for delivery of said message;

determining, from the position-determining device of said <u>third</u> client to be tracked for delivery of said message, whether said <u>third</u> client being tracked has arrived at said designated location; <u>and</u>

automatically triggering electronic delivery of said message to the ~~intended recipient~~<u>second client</u> upon said ~~tracked mobile~~<u>third</u> client being determined to have arrived at said designated location<u>, with each of the first, second and third clients being different clients,</u> ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the first client provided the input; and~~

~~identifying said tracked mobile client, wherein said tracked mobile client has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of the intended recipient.~~

21. (Canceled)

22. (Currently amended) The method of claim 20, wherein said ~~step~~ <u>act</u> of obtaining identification of <u>a</u><u>the third</u> client to be tracked for delivery of said message comprises obtaining said identification based on input from the first client.

23-27. (Canceled)

28. (Currently amended) A method for automatically delivering a message electronically from a sender with a communication system servicing a plurality of potential recipients for

receiving a message, and based upon position-determining technology, <u>the method</u> comprising <u>acts of</u>:

obtaining a message based on input from the sender;

obtaining a designated location based on input from the sender;

obtaining identification of at least two recipients, from among the plurality of potential recipients, based on input from the sender; and

automatically delivering said message electronically to <u>a first</u> one of said identified recipients based upon the position of said <u>first</u> one of the identified recipients relative to ~~another~~ <u>a second one</u> of said identified recipients, as derived from the position-determining technology, ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the sender provided the input, wherein motion characteristics of said identified recipients are not associated with each other~~<u>with each of the sender and the at least two recipients being different parties</u>.

29.   (Original)   The method of claim 28, wherein each of the plurality of potential recipients includes a position-determining device to determine its current position.

30. (Currently amended)   A method for delivering a message with an electronic communication system, wherein the system includes a server, and with the system servicing a plurality of clients in a client-server relationship, at least some of the clients being mobile and having a position-determining device, the method comprising<u> acts of</u>:

obtaining, at the server, a message based on input from a first client;

obtaining, at the server, an identification of a second, ~~mobile~~ client as the intended

recipient for receiving said message, based on input from said first client;

obtaining, at the server, an identification of a third client, based on input from said

first client; and

automatically triggering electronic delivery of said message to the <u>second client of</u>

<u>the</u> intended recipient upon said second, ~~mobile~~ client being determined to be at a

designated position relative to the position of said third client, ~~and with the intended~~

~~recipient, wherein said designated location is a different location from where the first client~~

~~provided the input, wherein motion characteristics of the intended recipient,~~<u>each of the first,</u>

second ~~client~~ and third ~~client are not associated with each other~~<u>clients being different</u>

<u>clients</u>.

31.   (Original)   The method of claim 30, wherein said third client is also a mobile client

having a position-determining device.

32.   (Original)   The method of claim 30, wherein said first and second clients are the

same client.

33. (Currently amended)   A method for operating an electronic communications system

servicing a plurality of users for enabling any sender ~~who is a user~~ <u>using a first device</u> to

automatically deliver a message electronically to an intended recipient ~~who is also a~~

~~user~~using a second device, based on the tracked position of a ~~specified mobile object~~third device, the method comprising acts of:

enabling each of the plurality of users to both send and receive electronic message data;

processing and storing electronic message data provided by the sender;

tracking the position of the ~~specified mobile object~~third device;

automatically delivering the stored electronic message data to the second device of the intended recipient upon arrival of the ~~specified mobile object~~third device at a designated location, ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the sender provided the electronic message data; and~~

~~identifying said specified mobile object, wherein said specified mobile object has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of the intended recipient~~with each of the first, second and third devices being different devices.

34.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said message data includes said message, said intended recipient, and a delivery rule.

35.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said message data includes said message.

36.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said message data includes said intended recipient.

37.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said message data includes a delivery rule.

38.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said message data includes identity of said specified mobile object.

39.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said message data includes said designated location.

40. (Currently amended)   Apparatus to electronically deliver a message from a sender using a first device to an intended recipient using a second device based on tracking movement of a ~~mobile object~~third device, the apparatus comprising:

means for enabling both the sender and the intended recipient to send and receive an electronically deliverable message;

means for obtaining a message provided by the sender;

means for obtaining a location designated by the sender for delivery of said message;

means for tracking ~~a specified mobile object~~the third device having a position-determining device that determines its own current position, and which transmits its then current position at preset time intervals;

means for determining from the transmitted current position whether the ~~specified mobile object~~third device has reached said designated location;

means for initiating a procedure for automatic delivery of said message electronically to the second device of the intended recipient upon ~~said specified mobile object~~the third device being determined to have reached said designated location, ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the sender provided the message; and~~

~~means for identifying said specified mobile object, wherein said specified mobile object has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of the intended recipient~~with each of the first, second and third devices being different devices.

41. (Currently amended)   Apparatus for delivering a message with an electronic communication system servicing a plurality of clients in a client-server relationship, wherein the system includes a server, and wherein each of the clients includes a position-determining device for determining its own current position, the apparatus comprising:

means for obtaining, at the server, a message based on input from a first client;

means for obtaining, at the server, a designated location based on input from said first client;

means for obtaining, at the server, an identification of a second client as the intended recipient of said message, based on input from said first client;

means for obtaining, at the server, identification of a ~~mobile~~third client to be tracked for delivery of said message;

means for determining, from the position-determining device of said client to be tracked for delivery of said message, whether ~~said~~ the third client being tracked has arrived at said designated location;

means for automatically triggering electronic delivery of said message to the second client of the intended recipient upon ~~said tracked mobile~~the third client being determined to have arrived at said designated location, ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the first client provided the input; and~~

~~means for identifying said tracked mobile client, wherein said tracked mobile client has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of the intended recipient~~with each of the first, second and third clients being different clients.

42. (Currently amended) Apparatus for delivering a message with an electronic communication system servicing a plurality of clients in a client-server relationship, wherein the system includes a server, and wherein each of the clients includes a position-determining device for determining its own current position, the apparatus comprising:

means for obtaining, at the server, a message based on input from a first client;

means for obtaining, at the server, a designated location based on input from said first client;

means for obtaining, at the server, a delivery rule based on input from said first client for delivering said message to a second client of an intended recipient, wherein said delivery rule includes arrival of a ~~specified mobile~~third client at said designated location;

means for determining, from the position-determining device of ~~said mobile~~the third client, whether ~~said specified mobile~~ the third client has arrived at said designated location;

means for upon ~~said specified mobile~~the third client being determined to have arrived at said designated location, ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the first client provided the input,~~ triggering electronic delivery of said message to the second client of the intended recipient, based upon said delivery rule,

~~; and~~

~~means for identifying said specified mobile client, wherein said specified mobile client has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of the intended recipient~~ with each of the first, second and third clients being different clients.

43-44. (Canceled)

45. (Currently amended)   Apparatus for automatically delivering a message electronically from a sender with a communication system servicing a plurality of potential recipients for receiving a message, and based upon position-determining technology, comprising:

means for obtaining a message based on input from the sender;

means for obtaining a designated location based on input from the sender;

means for obtaining identification of at least two recipients, from among the plurality of potential recipients, based on input from the sender; and

means for automatically delivering said message electronically to a first one of said identified recipients based upon the position of said first one of the identified recipients

relative to a ~~different position of another~~second one of said identified recipients, as derived from the position-determining technology, ~~wherein motion characteristics of said identified recipients are not associated with each other, and wherein said designated location is a different location from where the sender provided the input~~ with each of the sender and the at least two recipients being different parties.

46. (Currently amended)   Apparatus for delivering a message with an electronic communication system, wherein the system includes a server, and with the system servicing a plurality of clients in a client-server relationship, at least some of the clients being mobile and having a position-determining device, the apparatus comprising:

means for obtaining, at the server, a message based on input from a first client;

means for obtaining, at the server, an identification of a second,~~mobile~~ client as the intended recipient for receiving said message, based on input from said first client;

means for obtaining, at the server, an identification of a third client, based on input from said first client; and

means for automatically triggering electronic delivery of said message to the second client of the intended recipient upon said second,~~mobile~~ client being determined to be at a designated position relative to a ~~different position of said~~the third client, ~~wherein motion characteristics of the intended recipient, second client and third client are not associated with each other, and wherein said designated position is a different position from where the first client provided the input~~ with each of the first, second and third clients being different clients.

47. (Currently amended) Apparatus for operating an electronic communications system servicing a plurality of users for enabling any sender ~~who is a user~~ using a first device to automatically deliver a message electronically to an intended recipient ~~who is also a user~~ using a second device, based on the tracked position of a ~~specified mobile object,~~ third device, the apparatus comprising:

means for enabling both the sender and the intended recipient to send and receive an electronically deliverable message;

means for processing and storing message data provided by the sender;

means for tracking the position of the ~~specified mobile object~~ third device;

means for automatically delivering a message electronically to the second device of the intended recipient upon arrival of the ~~specified mobile object~~ third device at a designated location, ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the sender provided the message data; and~~

~~means for identifying said specified mobile object, wherein said specified mobile object has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of the intended recipient~~ with each of the first, second and third devices being different devices.

48. (Currently amended) A method to electronically deliver a message from a sender using a first device to an intended recipient using a second device based on tracking movement of a ~~mobile object~~ third device, the method comprising acts of:

obtaining a message provided by the sender;

obtaining a location designated by the sender for delivery of said message;

tracking ~~a specified mobile object~~the third device having a position-determining device that determines its own current position, and which transmits its then current position at preset time intervals;

determining from the transmitted current position whether the ~~specified mobile object~~third device has reached said designated location; and

initiating a procedure for automatic delivery of said message electronically to the second device of the intended recipient upon ~~said specified mobile object~~the third device being determined to have reached said designated location, ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the sender provided the message, and~~

~~wherein said specified mobile object has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of than the intended recipient~~with each of the first, second and third devices being different devices.

49. (Currently amended)   A method to electronically deliver a message from a sender using a first device to an intended recipient using a second device based on tracking movement of a ~~mobile object~~third device, the method comprising acts of:

obtaining a message provided by the sender;

obtaining a location designated by the sender for delivery of said message;

tracking ~~a specified mobile object~~the third device having a position-determining device that determines its own current position, and which transmits its then current position at preset time intervals;

determining from the transmitted current position whether the ~~specified mobile objectthird~~ third device has reached said designated location; and

initiating a procedure for automatic delivery of said message electronically to the second device of the intended recipient upon ~~said specified mobile object~~the third device being determined to have reached said designated location, ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the sender provided the message, and~~

wherein said message is at least one of data, text, audio and video modes,

wherein a mode in which said message is reproduced by the second device for the intended recipient is in accordance with a setting controlled by the intended recipient,

~~wherein said specified mobile object has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of the intended recipient~~ with each of the first, second and third devices being different devices.

50. (Currently amended)   A method to electronically deliver a message from a mobile sender using a first device to an intended recipient using a second device based on tracking movement of a ~~mobile object~~third device, the method comprising:

obtaining a message provided by the mobile sender;

obtaining a location designated by the mobile sender for delivery of said message;

tracking ~~a specified mobile object~~the third device having a position-determining device that determines its own current position, and which transmits its then current position at preset time intervals;

determining from the transmitted current position whether the ~~specified mobile object~~third device has reached said designated location;

initiating a procedure for automatic delivery of said message electronically to the second device of the intended recipient upon ~~said specified mobile object~~the third device being determined to have reached said designated location, ~~wherein said designated location is a different location from where the mobile sender provided the message; and~~

~~identifying said specified mobile object, wherein said specified mobile object has a motion characteristic not associated with motion of the intended recipient~~ with each of the first, second and third devices being different devices.

51-53. (Canceled)

54. (New) The method of claim 1, comprising an act of controlling delivery of the message in accordance with a delivery rule provided by the sender, wherein said delivery rule is based on at least one of a proximity condition between the second and third devices, a weather condition, and investment information.